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SUBJ: REHABILITATION OF SHANSI OPERA "THRICE ASCENDING
MOUNT PEACH"

1. THE SEPTEMBER 1 PEOPLE'S DAILY CARRIED AN ARTICLE BY
THE THEORETICAL GROUP OF THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE WHICH RE-
HABILITATED THE SHANSI OPERA "THRICE ASCENDING MOUNT PEACH".
THE ARTICLE NOTED THAT THE OPERA WAS INCORRECTLY CONDEMNED
BY THE GANG OF FOUR AS AN ATTEMPT TO "REVERSE THE VERDICT
ON LIU SHAO-CHI".

2. PEKING DIPLOMATS ARE SPECULATING THAT CRITICISM OF THE
OPERA BY THE GANG OF FOUR IN 1974 MAY ALSO HAVE BEEN RELATED
TO FORMER PEKING MAYOR PENG CHEN AND EVEN TO THE PRESENT
MAYOR, WU TEH. SINCE OUR 1974 FILES HAVE BEEN RETIRED,
WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HISTORICAL BACKGROUND YOU MAY HAVE
AND YOUR COMMENTS ON THE OPERA AS IT RELATES TO THE CURRENT
CONTROVERSIES SURROUNDING LIU SHAO-CHI, PENG CHEN AND WU
TEH. WOODCOCK

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